

**HOSPITAL CORPSMAN'S
PLEDGE**

I solemnly pledge myself before God and these witnesses to practice faithfully all of my duties as a member of the hospital corps, I hold the care of the sick and injured to be a privilege and sacred trust and will assist the Medical Officer with loyalty and honesty, I will not knowingly permit harm to come to any patient, I will not partake of nor administer any unauthorized medication. I will hold all personal matters pertaining to the private lives of patients in strict confidence. I dedicate my heart, mind and strength to the work before me. I shall do all within my power to show in myself an example of all that is honorable and good throughout my Naval Career.

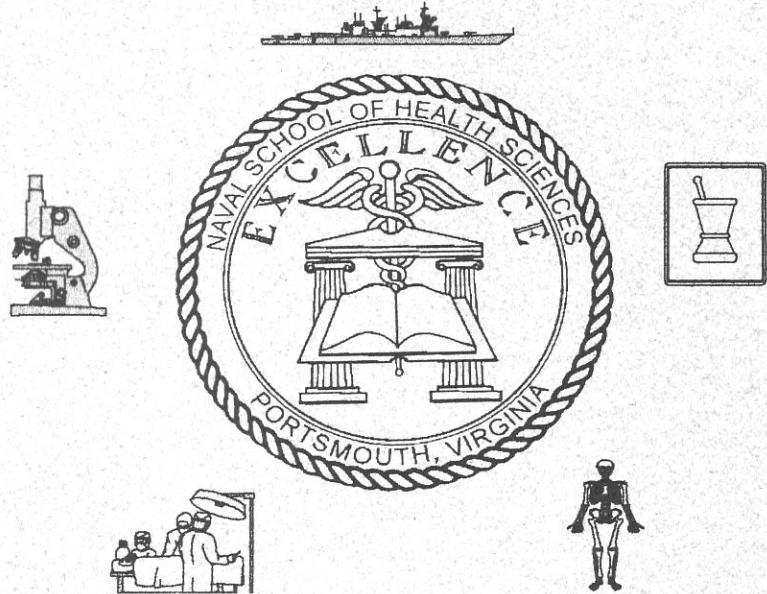


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**NAVAL SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES
PORTSMOUTH VIRGINIA**



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THE CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY

The ceremony you observe today is not prescribed specifically by U.S. Navy regulations, but rather is a long standing part of naval tradition. Only in the military does the instantaneous transfer of complete authority and total responsibility from one individual to another exist. Our Navy, an organization of explicit discipline, lends itself to the perpetuation of the more venerated customs, heroic traditions, and dignified ceremonies. Designed to publicize to the officers, men and women of the command the absolute transfer of authority from one commander to another, the ceremony is by tradition formal and impressive. This strengthens respect for authority and is the underpinning of good order and discipline which is vital to any military organization.

The culmination of the ceremony is the formal reading of the official orders. The public reading of orders began in the days when the movement of mail and persons was slow and unreliable. The ceremony was thus designed to insure only duly authorized officers held command and that all aboard were aware of the authenticity of the new commander. The responsibility of command passes from one to the other when the relieving officer states, "I relieve you, Sir."

This simple ceremony, passing authority and responsibility to yet another fine officer, reflects the dedication of free men and women serving their nation proudly.

PROGRAM

ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY *

PARADE OF THE COLORS *

NATIONAL ANTHEM *

INVOCATION *

*Lieutenant Roosevelt H. Brown, CHC, USN
Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth, Virginia*

INSPECTION OF THE HONOR COMPANY

*Rear Admiral Engel
Captain Anderson
HMCM(SW) Sullivan*

REMARKS AND READING OF DISESTABLISHMENT

Captain Harry C. Coffey, MSC, USN

REMARKS AND READING OF ESTABLISHMENT

Rear Admiral Joan M. Engel, NC, USN

REMARKS AND ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Captain Charles L. Anderson, MSC, USN

BENEDICTION *

Lieutenant Roosevelt H. Brown, CHC, USN

RETIRE THE COLORS *

DEPARTURE OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY

** Guests please stand*

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BETHESDA DETACHMENT
PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA**

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01 MAY 75 - 28 OCT 77 CDR Charles J. WOODARD, MSC

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04 SEP 81 - 23 SEP 83 CAPT Donald R. CRAIG, MSC

23 SEP 83 - 26 JUL 85 CAPT Russell W. BARNHILL, MSC

26 JUL 85 - 29 AUG 85 CDR Janet L. HIGGINS, MSC

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28 JAN 87 - 08 JUL 87 CDR Janet L. HIGGINS, MSC

08 JUL 87 - 13 AUG 87 CDR Fredrick R. BARSNESS, MSC

13 AUG 87 - 14 DEC 90 CAPT Walter A. NACRELLI, MSC

14 DEC 90 - 25 JUN 93 CAPT James E. SHEPHERD, MSC

26 JUN 93 - 30 SEP 95 CAPT Charles L. ANDERSON, MSC

**REAR ADMIRAL JOAN M. ENGEL
NURSE CORPS, UNITED STATES NAVY
DIRECTOR, NAVY NURSE CORPS AND
ASSISTANT CHIEF FOR EDUCATION,
TRAINING, AND PERSONNEL, BUREAU OF
MEDICINE AND SURGERY**



A native of St. Marys, Pennsylvania, Rear Admiral Engel is a 1961 graduate of the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing, Buffalo, New York, and she received a Bachelor of Education in Public School Nursing from Clarion University, Clarion, Pennsylvania in 1969. She was Navy sponsored in 1981 to attend the University of Alabama, Birmingham, Alabama earning a Master of Science in Nursing with a dual major in community health nursing and nursing administration.

Rear Admiral Engel entered the Navy Nurse Corps in 1969. Her clinical nursing assignments include: Naval Hospital, Millington; Branch Medical Clinic, Iwakuni, Japan; Naval Hospital Charleston; Branch Medical Clinic, LaMaddalena, Sardinia; and Naval Hospitals Jacksonville, Pensacola, and Newport; Administrative assignments include Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, DC, where she was the first Junior Nurse Corps Detailer; Assistant Chief of Staff, Logistics, Naval Medical Command, Northeast Region, Great Lakes, Illinois; Naval Inspector General Staff, Washington, DC; and Medical Inspector General Staff, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, DC. Prior to her current assignment, she was Deputy Director, Navy Nurse Corps, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. She was selected to Flag rank in November 1993.

Rear Admiral Engel is a Wharton Fellow, a member of the American Nurses association, the Pennsylvania Nurses Association, the Associations of Military Surgeons of the United States, the American Association of Nurse Executives, the Navy Nurse Corps Association, Sigma Theta Tau, the Naval Institute and the American Association for Counseling and Development. Her military decorations include the Legion Of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (four awards), Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), and the National Defense Medal (two awards). She is married to Lt Colonel Walter R. Limbach, United States Marine Corps (retired) and resides in Alexandria, Virginia.



HARRY CHARLES COFFEY
CAPTAIN, MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS
UNITED STATES NAVY

A native of Rhode Island, Captain Coffey received his Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Providence College in 1965. In 1972, he earned a Master in Arts from Maryknoll Theological; and in 1975 a Masters in Health Administration from the George Washington University. He was commissioned an officer in the Navy on 13 December 1973.

After a tour at the Naval Hospital in Newport, Rhode Island as the patient Administration Officer, Captain Coffey was assigned as an instructor at the Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland.

From there he went to the U.S. Naval Hospital in Rota, Spain where he served as the Director of Administration. In 1985, he was assigned Assistant Director of the patient Administration Division at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. In 1988, he served one year as the Head, Patient Administration at Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland. He returned to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in 1989 and reported as the Director of the Patient Administration Division.

In 1992, Captain Coffey left Washington to assume the Executive Officer's position at the Naval Medical Clinic, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He has been the Commanding Officer of the Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland since June 1995.

Capt Coffey's military awards include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), and several other personal awards.

He and his wife Marie (Hubertus of Thornwood, New York) have five children: Brian, Kristin, John, Patrick and Lauren Rose.

CHARLES L. ANDERSON
CAPTAIN, MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS
UNITED STATES NAVY

Captain Charles L. Anderson is a native of Huntington, West Virginia and attended the local public schools, prior to entering Marshall University receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology in 1968. He earned his Masters of Science degree in Systems Management from the University of Southern California in 1975.



He entered the Navy and completed Hospital Corps School, Great Lakes, Illinois in 1969. He then reported to Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia as the first student in the Advanced Laboratory Technician course. In 1970 he reported to Naval Hospital, Annapolis, Maryland advancing to Hospital Corpsman Second Class at the two year mark of his career. He was commissioned in 1972 as an Ensign in the Medical Service Corps and reported to Naval Aerospace Medical Institute, Pensacola, Florida as a student Naval Aerospace Physiologist.

Upon completion of the curriculum and basic flight training he was designated Aerospace Physiologist #65 and reported to the Aviation Physiology Training Unit, Naval Air Station Miramar, California in 1973. In 1975 he was chosen as one of the original officers in the Aeromedical Safety Officer (AMSO) Program. His tours include positions of the staff of both the Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet and the U.S. Atlantic Fleet, and Commander, Light Attack Wing, Atlantic.

Subsequent duty stations include Head, Aviation Physiology Training Unit Naval Hospital, Jacksonville, Florida (NAS Cecil Field APTU); Model Manager, Naval Aerospace Physiology Program, Naval Medical Aerospace Institute, Pensacola, Florida; Head, Aviation Physiology Training Department, Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, Virginia (NAS Norfolk APTU); and Force Physiologist, Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Norfolk, Virginia. He served as Program Manager and Specialty Advisor for the Naval Aerospace Physiology Program at the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, DC with additional duty to the Chief, Naval Operations (Air Warfare). He is currently the Officer in Charge of the Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda Detachment, Portsmouth, Virginia.

Captain Anderson has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), the Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), the National Defense Service Medal (two awards), and the Humanitarian Service Medal (two awards). He is married to the former Sharon Pell of Pensacola, Florida and has three children: Brian, a Midshipman at the University of Florida; Greg, a college student at home; and Bonni, a high school junior also at home.

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HISTORY OF NAVAL SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA

Five years after the establishment of the Hospital Corps, the first Hospital Corps school was founded. On 2 September 1902, the first class convened at the School of Instruction, Hospital Corps, U.S. Navy, at the Naval Hospital Norfolk with Captain Remus C. Persons, MC, USN, serving as the Commanding Officer and Medical Director for training.

In 1907, school functions transferred to Washington, DC, due to inadequate space for training purposes. During 1921, under the new name of Pharmacist Mate School, training returned to Naval Hospital Norfolk. In 1929, the school's name was once again changed to U.S. Naval Hospital Corps School. Preparing for World War II, new buildings were constructed for training, and on 29 October 1942, training began in the current building.

In 1956, Hospital Corps School was disestablished and courses were consolidated with the Naval Hospital under the title of Enlisted Training Service. The Enlisted Training Service became the new Enlisted Training School in 1974. Beginning February 1975, an internal reorganization of the Navy Medical Department established the school as a detachment of the Naval School of Health Sciences, Bethesda, Maryland.

For the first time in the history of Hospital Corps training at Portsmouth, Virginia, the Naval School of Health Sciences will be established as a command and will continue to support the mission of the Navy and Marine Corps as the center of excellence for consultation, education and training of health care professionals.

